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Statement by Governor Brewer

Mourning the Loss of Staff Sergeant Donald V. Stacy

"I am deeply saddened to announce that another Arizona soldier was killed in the line of duty this week. On Tuesday, Staff Sgt. Donald V. Stacy, 23, of Avondale, died in the Kandahar province of Afghanistan. He was serving overseas in support of Operation Enduring Freedom when he encountered an improvised explosive device while on patrol. Staff Sgt. Stacy died from his wounds.

"Staff Sgt. Stacy was a decorated Army soldier assigned to the 1st Battalion, 505th Parachute Infantry Regiment, 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 82nd Airborne Division. A soldier known by his fellow paratroopers for his leadership and dedication, Staff Sgt. Stacy's awards include a Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart and various other honors for the courage he exemplified during his multiple overseas deployments.

"I urge all Arizonans to join me in praying for Staff Sgt. Stacy and the loved ones he left behind, as well as all of our servicemen and women. I have ordered that flags be lowered until sunset today, June 29, 2011, in honor of Staff Sgt. Donald V. Stacy."

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